

BORDALLO, BURTON, BUTTERFIELD, CAPUANO, CARSON, CHRISTENSEN, W.L. CLAY, CLYBURN, CONYERS, CROWLEY, CUMMINGS, D. DAVIS, J. DAVIS, DELAHUNT, ENGEL, FALEOMAVAEGA, FARR, FATTAH, FEENEY, FORD, FORTUÑO, B. FRANK, A. GREEN, GRIJALVA, GUTIERREZ, A. HASTINGS, HONDA, JACKSON-LEE, JEFFERSON, E.B. JOHNSON, TUBBS JONES, KAPTUR, KILPATRICK, KUCINICH, KUHLMAN, LANTOS, LEWIS, LOFGREN, MALONEY, MCCARTHY, McDERMOTT, MCGOVERN, MCKINNEY, MCCOLLUM, MEEK, MEEKS, MENENDEZ, MILLENDER-MCDONALD, G. MOORE, NADLER, NAPOLITANO, NORTON, OWENS, PALLONE, PAYNE, RANGEL, RUSH, T. RYAN, SERRANO, D. SCOTT, SCHAKOWSKY, SHIMKUS, SLAUGHTER, SOLIS, B. THOMPSON, TOWNS, VAN HOLLEN, VELÁZQUEZ, WATERS, WATT, WEINER, WEXLER, WOOLSEY, WYNN

H. RES. 570 CO-SPONSORS DURING THE 108TH CONGRESS (65)

Representatives PAYNE, NEY, CHRISTENSEN, Ballenger, OWENS, RANGEL, SERRANO, HASTINGS (FL), TUBBS JONES, McDERMOTT, MEEK (FL), CLYBURN, CAPUANO, WATT, LEWIS, A. DAVIS, B. SCOTT, S. BISHOP, B. THOMPSON, NORTON, EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON, WATERS, CUMMINGS, KILPATRICK, RUSH, LOFGREN, TOWNS, GRIJALVA, D. SCOTT, Majette, WEINER, MEEKS (NY), Acevedo-Vilá, CONYERS, KUCINICH, WYNN, JACKSON-LEE, SWEENEY, BERMAN, DELAHUNT, WOOLSEY, FEENEY, SHIMKUS, VAN HOLLEN, ENGEL, Deutsch, WATSON, Ballance, MENENDEZ, BERKLEY, JEFFERSON, RUPPERSBERGER, LANTOS, ISRAEL, GONZALEZ, LACY CLAY, WEXLER, ROS-LEHTINEN, FORD, JACKSON, MILLENDER-MCDONALD, C. BROWN, D. MOORE.

CARIBBEAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH, 2006—BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA—A PROCLAMATION

During Caribbean-American Heritage Month, we celebrate the great contributions of Caribbean Americans to the fabric of our Nation, and we pay tribute to the common culture and bonds of friendship that unite the United States and the Caribbean countries.

Our Nation has thrived as a country of immigrants, and we are more vibrant and hopeful because of the talent, faith, and values of Caribbean Americans. For centuries, Caribbean Americans have enriched our society and added to the strength of America. They have been leaders in government, sports, entertainment, the arts, and many other fields.

During the month of June, we also honor the friendship between the United States and the Caribbean countries. We are united by our common values and shared history, and I join all Americans in celebrating the rich Caribbean heritage and the many ways in which Caribbean Americans have helped shape this Nation.

Now, Therefore, I, George W. Bush, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim June 2006 as Caribbean-American Heritage Month. I encourage all Americans to learn more about the history of Caribbean Americans and their contributions to our Nation.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this fifth day of June, in the year of our Lord two thousand six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirtieth.

GEORGE W. BUSH.

TRIBUTE TO CHARLIE LOUVIN

## HON. JIM COOPER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 19, 2006

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to salute one of the great voices in American music and a resident of my hometown of Nashville: Charlie Louvin.

Charlie just celebrated his 79th birthday at a day-long celebration held at the Louvin Brothers Museum in Nashville last weekend. Folks from around the country came to wish Charlie well and to thank him for his many great musical accomplishments on stage as a performer, and to recognize his extraordinary songwriting achievements.

Charlie Louvin's career has spanned more than six decades and earned him a following that cuts across all music genres and generations.

Charlie Louvin was born Charlie Loudermilk in Alabama in 1927. Along with his older brother Ira, he grew up listening to the Grand Ole Opry on the radio at night and dreamed of a career on the stage of Opry.

Changing their name to Louvin, the brothers made their first musical performance on July 4th, 1940, playing background music for the merry-go-round at a country fair. From that time on, the Louvins became known for a distinctive style of harmony singing that blended gospel harmonies with country influences. They performed regularly across the South, particularly in Alabama and Tennessee, building a following that would earn them attention—and a recording contract—in Nashville.

From the mid-1950s through the early 1960s, the Louvin Brothers had over twenty entries on Billboard's country chart, including "Cash on the Barrelhead" and "You're Running Wild." The Louvins would achieve their childhood dream, invited to join the Grand Ole Opry in 1955. Ira Louvin would die in a tragic automobile accident in 1965 but Charlie would continue on his own to record, perform and win the hearts of music lovers everywhere.

In the late 1960s and early 1970s, groups like The Byrds and country rocker Gram Parsons introduced rock fans to the Louvins' talents, recording some of their classic songs. In 2002, Charlie was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame and, the following year, artists as diverse as James Taylor, Patty Loveless, Merle Haggard and Dolly Parton joined together to pay tribute to the Louvins. The result was a special CD: "Livin', Lovin', Losin': Songs of the Louvin Brothers" that became a must-have recording for country and rock fans alike. Even today, Charlie is apt to be found on stage performing alongside the likes of Cake, the popular rock band he recently toured with, or on stage at the Opry.

As one of Nashville's most highly respected musicians and writers, I congratulate Charlie Louvin on his 79th birthday—and for creating music that is just as relevant today as it was 50 years ago.

RECOGNIZING JACOB LEE BUEHLER FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

## HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 19, 2006

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Jacob Lee Buehler, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 395, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Jacob has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Jacob has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Jacob Lee Buehler for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

TRIBUTE TO MR. JOSE R. CORONADO

## HON. HENRY CUELLAR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 19, 2006

Mr. CUELLAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Jose R. Coronado, Director of the South Texas Veterans Health Care System, on his coming retirement on July 21st, 2006, from his years of Federal service and outreach to the veterans of South Texas.

Jose R. Coronado was born and raised in Benavides, Texas. He attended the Texas College of Arts and Industries at Texas A&M University-Kingsville, and graduated in 1957 with a Bachelor of Science in Zoology/Chemistry. This was followed by a Masters of Science Degree in Education/Administration from Texas A&M University-Kingsville. He began his long, illustrious Federal career when he was selected by the Veterans Administration through a national competition to attend the U.S. Army-Baylor University Graduate Program in Healthcare Administration where he earned his second Masters Degree in 1973. Mr. Coronado is also an Army veteran from the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment where he served as a Battalion Operations Sergeant from 1953 to 1955.

His experience in the Army led him to his first position with the VA as an Administrative Officer in the Research Department of the Veterans Administration Medical Center in the City of Houston, Texas. This was the start of a long, illustrious career with the Veterans Administration, where he is now the Director of the South Texas Veterans Health Care System in the City of San Antonio. He was responsible for a healthcare delivery system which has an annual budget of \$404.4 million; three divisions, namely that of the Audie L. Murphy Division, the Kerrville Division, and the Satellite Clinic Division. The South Texas Veterans Health Care System is also affiliated with the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, which enables it to